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SUBJECT: BELARUS TELLS UK IT'S LOOKING FOR REWARDS FOR  
PRISONER RELEASE

Classified By: Political Counselor Rick Mills for reasons 1.4 (b) and ( d).

1. (C/NF) The Belarus government perceives that its release of political prisoners Syarhey Parsyukevich, Andrey Kim, and Alyaksander Kazulin -
2. (C/NF) Kolontai had a specific favor in mind. The Belarusian government is sponsoring an investment forum in London on November 18 and 19,
3. (C) Bendor told us that the UK's likely next signal to Belarus would be through the EU Presidency conclusions from the September 16 GAERC, LEBARON